GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
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WORLD BANK ASSISTANCE FOR POWER REFORMS
Patil Shri Shriniwas Dadasaheb

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the total assistance in Rupees received by the Government from the World Bank for power reforms in the country during the last three years;

(b) the terms and conditions of such assistance;

(c) the quantum of power added in electric units with the help of this assistance; and

(d) the assistance package proposed to be submitted by the Government to the World Bank to further accelerate the power addition in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED)

(a) : Year-wise disbursement made by the World Bank for power reforms in the country during the last three years is as under:-

Rs. in crores

2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
503.75	707.62	566.86

(b) : The assistance has been passed on by the Central Government to the States as additional central assistance consisting of 70% loan and 30% grant.

(c) : These loans are for reforms and restructuring of power sector in the States wherein funds are provided for investment in transmission and distribution network aimed at reducing technical losses and improving quality of supply and disbursement of assistance is linked to predetermined reform milestones such as unbundling of state power utilities and achieving better financial performance.

(d) : Hydro electric projects have been posed to the World Bank for capacity addition in the country. In addition certain transmission projects of Power Grid Corporation of India have also been posed to the Bank.